

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FISH AND GAME COMMISSION KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION 500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 374-A LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012 http://fishandgame.lacountycommissions.info

Thursday, January 9, 2014 6:00 PM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (14-0353)

Attachments: AUDIO

Present: Chair John Hybarger, Vice Chair Sandra Aronberg M.D. M.P.H.

and Commissioner Lee Wax

Excused: Commissioner Greg Bombard and

Commissioner James W. Etter

Call to Order. (13-4914)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Hybarger at 6:08 p.m. Roll call was taken by Ms. Bolaji Famuyiwa, Commission Services staff.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Election of 2014 Officers. (14-0164)

On motion of Vice Chair Sandra Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner Lee Wax and there being no objection, John Hybarger was reappointed Chair of the Fish and Game Commission.

On motion of Commissioner Lee Wax, seconded by Chair John Hybarger and there being no objection, Sandra Aronberg was reappointed Vice Chair of the Fish and Game Commission.

2. Approval of the October 10, 2013 Minutes. (13-4915)

On motion of Vice Chair Sandra Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner Lee Wax and unanimously carried, the minutes of October 10, 2013 were approved.

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3. Consideration and approval of the Commission's 2014 Meeting Schedule. (14-0170)

The Commission reviewed the draft 2014 Meeting Schedule. On motion of Vice Chair Sandra Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner Lee Wax and unanimously carried, this item was approved.

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4. Review of the Fish and Game Commission's Propagation Fund Summary of Income, Expenditures, and Fund Balance Report, ending November 30, 2013 for Fiscal Year 2013-2014. (13-4916)

Staff reported that the Fish and Game Commission Propagation Fund Balance Report as of November 30, 2013 was \$114,366.78. This total includes an encumbrance of \$14,660.00 leaving the available balance at \$99,706.78.

On motion of Vice Chair Sandra Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner Lee Wax, unanimously carried, the Propagation Fund Balance Report was received and filed.

In response to Vice Chair Aronberg's request for staff to research the type of Fish and Game violations that result in fines that are paid by the constituents, staff submitted to the Commission an email report from the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Revenue Management - Accounting Division, which showed the numbers of violations for littering, fishing without a license and fishing with two rods without a second rod sport fishing stamp. After a review of the report, Chair Hybarger requested staff to conduct additional follow up to obtain information regarding the fines that are received for hunting violations, environmental waste, poaching, etc. Staff will report back to the Commission at the next Fish and Game meeting.

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5. Review of the Fish and Game Commission's Trust Fund Reconciliation Report, ending November 30, 2013 for Fiscal Year 2013-2014. (13-4918)

Staff reported that the Fish and Game Commission's Trust Fund Balance Report for the month of November 2013 was \$6,496.99.

On motion of Vice Chair Sandra Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner Lee Wax, unanimously carried, this item was received and filed.

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6. Staff Report on Correspondence Received, and Department Representative Reports for January 9, 2014. (14-0165)

Staff provided the Commission with an updated on the following:

Refund check from "Teach the Teacher" in the amount of \$695 that will be deposited back into the Commission's Prorogation Fund account County Counsel was contacted regarding the Commission's name change; and the Commission directed staff to add it to the April 2014 agenda Staff has been directed to contact the Regional Planning Department to obtain additional information regarding the firearms map revision process

7. Recommendation to receive and file correspondence from the State of California Fish and Game Commission and Department of Fish and Wildlife - Wildlife Conservation Board:

DFW Wildlife Conservation Board

- June 14, 2013 Wildlife Conservation Board Minutes
- Arroyo Sequit Fish Passage Improvements for Los Angeles County
- Ocean Trails HCPLA 2009 for the City of Rancho Palos Verdes
- November 21, 2013 Wildlife Conservation Board Preliminary Agenda Items
- November 21, 2013 Wildlife Conservation Board Final Agenda Items

State of California Fish and Wildlife Commission

Notice of Proposed Regulatory Action relative to:

- Section 601 and subsection 702(a)(1), Title 14, California Code of Regulations, relating to Enhancement on Private Lands Management
- Section 149 and 149.1, Title 14, California code of Regulations, relating to the commercial take of market squid

Notice of Findings relative to:

- American Pika
- Northern Spotted Owl
- Townsend's Big-eared Bat (13-4919)

There being no objection, the correspondence was received and filed.

Attachments: WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD MINUTES

ARROYO SEQUIT FISH PASSAGE IMPROVEMENTS

OCEAN TRAILS HCPLA 2009

WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD PRELIMINARY AGENDA ITEMS

WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD FINAL AGENDA ENHANCEMENT OF PRIVATE LANDS MANAGEMENT

COMMERCIAL TAKE OF MARKET SQUID

AMERICAN PIKA

NORTHERN SPOTTED OWL TOWNSEND'S BIG-EARED BAT

II. PRESENTATIONS

8. Presentation and consideration of grant requests from the Fourth Supervisorial District in the amount of \$6,200 to purchase fish to stock lakes for the following events:

Cerritos Regional Park, 19700 Bloomfield Avenue, in the City of Cerritos

 "Cerritos Youth Fishing Derby," in the amount of \$3,100 (Date to be determined)

La Mirada Regional Park, 18701 Adelfa Drive, in the City of La Mirada

 Knabe Katch Fishing Derby, in the amount of \$3,100 (Date to determined) (13-4920)

Bryan Spragg, Recreation Services Manager, Los Angeles County Parks and Recreation Department, thanked the Commission for their continued support and presented two grant requests totaling \$6,000 for Cerritos Youth Fishing Derby and Knabe Katch Fishing Derby (\$3,100 each), for the Commission's consideration.

After a brief discussion, on motion of Vice Chairperson Sandra Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner Lee Wax and unanimously carried, the Commission approved a total grant amount of \$5,000 (\$2,500 for each event).

The Commission further encouraged Mr. Spragg to feel free to return to the Commission to ask for additional grant fund, if after receiving the fish allotment from the State Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) additional fish is needed for the events.

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9. Presentation and consideration of a grant request from the Second

Supervisorial District in the amount of \$3,100 to purchase fish to stock lake for the following 2014 event:

Alondra Community Regional Park, 3850 West Manhattan Beach Boulevard., in the City of Lawndale

"South Bay Youth Fishing Event," in the amount of \$3,100 (Date to be determined) (14-0152)

Ms. Kathy Walker, City of Gardena, Lady Angler, presented a grant request for \$3,100 for the South Bay Fishing Event which was established in 1999 to teach women and children the act of fishing.

After a brief discussion, on motion of Vice Chairperson Sandra Aronberg, seconded by Commissioner Lee Wax and unanimously carried, the Commission approved a total grant amount of \$2,500.

The Commission also encouraged Ms. Walker to feel free to return to the Commission to ask for additional funds, if after receiving the fish allotment from the State DFW, they determine that additional fish is needed for the event.

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III. DISCUSSIONS

10. Discussion on the Annenberg Foundation restoration efforts at the Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve in Marina del Rey.

Howard Litwak, Project Manager Consultant Annenberg Foundation (13-4921)

Ms. Terri Stewart, Environmental Program Manager, State DFW, and Mr. Howard Litwak presented an overview of the Ballona Wetlands Ecological Reserve and the Annenberg Foundation, respectively.

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IV. REPORTS

11. Report on the Fishing in the City Program Activities for 2014.

Brian Young, Fishing in the City Coordinator California Department of Fish and Wildlife (14-0168)

Brian Young, Fish and Wildlife Interpreter I, South Coast Region, Fishing in the City Coordinator, DFW, presented a report of the Fishing in the

City activities that occurred in 2013 and thanked the Commission for their continued support.

12. Commissioners' Reports for January 2014. (14-0166)

Vice Chairperson Aronberg commented on her recent tour in the Sacramento Delta to observe their involvement in trying to preserve the Delta smelt to avoid it from becoming extinct. Vice Chairperson Aronberg stated that it is a remarkable program and hopes they are able to find a solution to preserve the water system.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

Matters Not Posted

13. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (14-0155)

Staff reported that the First District submitted a request for a grant proposal after the posting of the January 9, 2014 deadline. The Commissioners advised staff to add this item to the April 2014 agenda.

Public Comment

14. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (14-0157)

There were no members of the public present to comment.

Adjournment

Adjournment for the meeting of January 9, 2014. (14-0158)

15.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.